

United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region 8
1595 Wynkoop Street
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EXTENDED NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR
TREATMENT IN THE SAME MANNER AS A STATE
FOR PURPOSES OF THE CLEAN AIR ACT SECTION 105 GRANT PROGRAM, SECTION
505 AFFECTED STATE STATUS, AND OTHER CAA PROVISIONS FOR WHICH NO
SEPARATE TRIBAL PROGRAM IS REQUIRED

Extended notice is hereby given that the Northern Arapaho and Eastern Shoshone Tribes of the Wind River Indian Reservation have applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 8 for Treatment in a Similar Manner as a State (TAS) for certain Clean Air Act (CAA) provisions. Specifically, the Tribes' CAA TAS application asks EPA to find that the Northern Arapaho and Eastern Shoshone Tribes of the Wind River Indian Reservation are eligible, pursuant to CAA Section 301(d) and implementing regulations for authority to administer grants under CAA Section 105; to be treated as an "affected state" under CAA Section 505(a)(2); for approval for CAA provisions for which no separate Tribal program is required, including Sections 107(d)(3), 112(r)(7)(B)(iii), 126, 169B, 176A, and 184; and for a determination by EPA that the Tribes meet the eligibility requirements of 40 C.F.R. Section 49.6.

This extended notice provides an opportunity to comment on the Wind River Indian Reservation boundary description provided by the Tribes in their CAA TAS application. EPA is not proposing or finalizing an Agency decision on the application at this time but is inviting comment on the Tribes' Reservation boundary description provided in their application. After considering relevant comments received during this extended notice and comment period, EPA will make a decision on the Tribes' application.

The Tribes' CAA TAS application describes the Reservation boundary as: areas described in the 1868 Treaty of Fort Bridger, less those areas conveyed by the Tribes under the Lander and Thermopolis Purchase Acts, plus lands subsequently added to the Reservation under the Act of June 27, 1940, 54 Stat. 628. The Wind River Indian Reservation is located in Fremont and Hot Springs counties of Wyoming. EPA invites comments on the Tribes' Reservation boundary description. EPA is extending the original comment deadline of May 11, 2009 by 30 days. The new comment deadline is June 10, 2009. Please send any comments to:

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Additional information from the Tribes' CAA TAS application related to their Reservation boundary description can be accessed at www.epa.gov/region8/tribes/ or a copy can be obtained by contacting:

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